## ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

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Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety	Landscaping and Other Scenic Beautification	Scenic or Historic Highway Programs (Includes Tourist and Welcome Centers)	Acquisition of Scenic Easements and Scenic or Historic Site	Historic Preservation	Rehabilitation of Historic Transportation Facilities (Including Historic Railroad Facilities and Canals)				
Specific Required Documentation	Specific Required Documentation	Specific Required Documentation	Specific Required Documentation	Specific Required Documentation	Specific Required Documentation				
		For verification of scenic byway eligibility, a letter from Roadside Environmental <b>must</b> be attached to application.	Letter of certification from the State Historic Preservation Office <b>must</b> be attached to application.	Letter of certification from the State Historic Preservation Office <b>must</b> be attached to application.					
Regulatory Intent	Regulatory Intent Independent projects are not to be used in conjunction with TIP projects.	Regulatory Intent  TE funds may be used for the construction of a new or the restoration of an existing facility.	Regulatory Intent The general rule of thumb for significant federal-aid investments is that the public interest in and access to the facility should be in perpetuity.	Regulatory Intent The general rule of thumb for significant federal-aid investments is that the public interest in and access to the facility should be in perpetuity.	Regulatory Intent The general rule of thumb for significant federal-aid investments is that the public interest in and access to the facility should be in perpetuity.				
	Project must demonstrate a strong and direct relationship to our transportation system.	To fund activities that have a clear link to scenic or historic highway programs.	However, the extent of real property interest needed for the protection of the public interest in the expenditure of TE funds is somewhat dependent on the nature and magnitude of the expenditure.	However, the extent of real property interest needed for the protection of the public interest in the expenditure of TE funds is somewhat dependent on the nature and magnitude of the expenditure.	However, the extent of real property interest needed for the protection of the public interest in the expenditure of TE funds is somewhat dependent on the nature and magnitude of the expenditure.				
	Installed on state or city "fee simple" right-of -way or permanent easement.			Protection of property rights in the form of a legal agreement that can be recorded in the land records.					
Unintended Use	Unintended Use Not intended for the replacement of existing plant beds or highway mitigation projects.	Unintended Use Not intended to repair and restore what are clearly rest areas.	Unintended Use Not intended to refurbish and/or rehabilitate privately held property without public interest and/or benefit.	Unintended Use Not intended to refurbish historic properties for local administrative public purposes and uses.	Unintended Use Not intended to refurbish historic properties for local administrative public purposes and uses.				
Most Common Mistakes	Most Common Mistakes	Most Common Mistakes	Most Common Mistakes	Most Common Mistakes	Most Common Mistakes				
	Attempts to use funds to beautify areas without a strong and direct surface transportation link.	Failure of the applicant to establish a clear surface transportation link and a connection to a scenic or historic highway program.	Possible applicant misunderstanding.	Incomplete or inadequate budget information.     Not working with or through the local historical preservation society.     Ineligible FHWA reimbursable expenses.	<ul> <li>Incomplete or inadequate budget information.</li> <li>Ineligible FHWA reimbursable expenses.</li> </ul>				
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Preservation of Abandoned Railway Corridors for Trail	Control and Removal of Outdoor Advertising	Archaeological Planning and Research	Environmental Mitigation of Pollution due to Highway Runoff and Reduce Vehicle Caused wildlife Mortality	Establishment of Transportation Museums	Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities (Sidewalks)			
Specific Required Documentation	Specific Required Documentation	Specific Required Documentation	Specific Required Documentation	Specific Required Documentation	Specific Required Documentation			
Regulatory Intent	Regulatory Intent  Permanent removal of outdoor advertising.  Effective controls should be in place to prohibit new signs from being erected.  Funds may also be used for sign inventory.	Regulatory Intent	Regulatory Intent  TE 's are a means of promoting additional efforts, projects, and activities which relate to surface transportation but go beyond what is considered ordinary environmental mitigation for a project  A project may stand alone or be part of a larger existing or proposed project.	Regulatory Intent  TE funds may be used to build a new facility, add on a transportation wing to an existing facility or convert an existing bldg. for use as a transportation museum  Must be opened to the public.	Regulatory Intent  New sidewalks  New pedestrian crosswalks  New Stand alone pedestrian signs  Upgrade of existing traffic signals to include pedestrian timing  ADA ramps  Pedestrian scale lighting  Replacing existing sidewalks to meet ADA standards			
			Examples: -Projects designated as wildlife underpasses or overpasses - Measures at areas identified as crossings for wildlife -Bridge extensions to provide or improve wildlife passage and wildlife habitat connectivity					
Unintended Use	Unintended Use	Unintended Use	Unintended Use TE projects are NOT to replace mitigation currently eligible or required under federal-aid funded projects	Unintended Use Airport or Air museum (only surface transportation)	Unintended Use Replacement of sidewalks purely for maintenance purposes is NOT allowed			
Most Common Mistakes	Most Common Mistakes	Most Common Mistakes	Most Common Mistakes	Most Common Mistakes	Most Common Mistakes			
	Improper calculation of lease hold amounts. See: FHWA for guidelines				Confusing sidewalks with pedestrian trails and multi-use trails			
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